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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Presidential messages serene and ad infinitum.

Admirable Evans refused the gift of a house. Dewey didn't.

There is still a nigger in that Brownsville woodpile, and Foraker is after him yet.

If President Castro really isn't sick now, he will be before the Hollanders get through with him.

Venezuelan coastguard ships remind us of Quaker guns—they have neither bark nor bite. The Dutch know it, too.

Mrs. Taft appears to have the qualification for a mistress of the White House. She is capable of standing society at great stretches and without fatigue.

Again, what should we ever have known about Pittsburg, N. H., if someone had not murdered someone else in the wilds of that little New Hampshire burg? Still, that is the kind of unwelcome notoriety.

Another place to put our coming ex-president when he returns from Africa and not yet mentioned by his solicitous friends; it is among the sharpshooters, for whose ranks he will have qualified in his jungle journeys. Sharp-shooter Roosevelt; how would that sound?

The raising of the taxation on railroads—a proposition received with favor in the House yesterday—indicates anything than that the state of Vermont is governed by the railroads. In fact, the legislators seem positively eager to thus demonstrate their mastery over the corporations.

The following protest on the proposed scheme of taxing automobiles is presented by the Vergennes Enterprise and Vermonter: "For the state of Vermont to levy a heavy tax on automobiles would not be progressive legislation, even if this kind of a law is in vogue in other states. There is little or no necessity for such a law in this state, where we have no macadam state highways to protect and very few roads of any kind that are injured by automobiles. The purpose of such a law in other states is to raise money to keep in proper repair the roads constructed at the expense of the state, but to compel the owners of automobiles in Vermont to pay a heavy license for the privilege of bumping over our natural rough roads is almost an insult to injury, and would be a serious blow to the automobile industry in this state."

The much-talked-about pavement of wooden blocks does not fill all the bill entirely satisfactorily, if one might judge from the Boston Transcript's description of the inconveniences occasioned by wood block pavement in Washington street in the Hub. Under the caption, "Skating Rink for Horses," the contemporary thus treats the subject:

"It used to be the asphalt pavement in a sleet storm that provided impromptu skating rinks for the horses, but wooden block pavement in a light fall of snow has asphalt beaten to a frazzle." On the wood the first flake melts slightly, the next fills in the gaps and a third flake in the right spot makes a combination of slipperiness that shakes the confidence of the most stolid old truck horse. Coming from good, solid granite pavement onto a surface like this is a surprise to any horse.

"One can almost see the look of pained surprise in the countenances of such poor beasts, and the situations would be comical if they were not serious. Strains and cuts are the least serious results from the conditions that prevail before the sandman gets about with his two-wheeled barrel."

Good old granite blocks continue to hold their place as a paving material.

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The tablet contains the following lines: "For Fifty-four Years an Editor Devoted to the Welfare of City, State and Nation."

Soldier in the War for the Union
 State Military Historian
 Eminent Citizen
 Christian Gentleman
 Loyal Friend
 A Token of Loving Remembrance From Comrades-in-Arms and Other Friends"

In erecting such a memorial his associates in the war of the Rebellion and his "other friends" give fitting honor to the memory of a true American citizen.

JINGLES AND JESTS

Too Much For Them.
 Any fool may rock a boat.
 But there's not a nation great
 Enough, so it would seem to us,
 To rock our ship of state.
 —Milwaukee Journal.

His Fault.
 She—You married me for my money.
 He—Yes; that's the real trouble.
 I didn't take you enough into consideration.—New York Life.

Much the Same.
 The world is like an apple barrel.
 And if for a moment you'll stop
 You will find the big apples and men
 Always manage to reach the top.
 —Boston Post.

Revolt on Foot.
 "What do you call this strap hanging in the cage?"
 "I call it a standing nuisance."—Baltimore American.

The Hindoo Lets His Skin Do.
 "What is the white man's burden?"
 Asked little Willie Spude.
 Dad looked his witted collar.
 Wiped his brow and answered, "Dude."
 —Kansas City Times.

Virtually Lost.
 Tom (at the wedding)—The bride cries as if she had lost her best friend.
 Jack—Well, hasn't she?—Detroit Tribune.

Getting In Line.
 If, as they say, the time has come
 When farmers' wealth must grow,
 Let us begin to say, "By gum!"
 And let our whippers grow.
 —Lippincott's Magazine.

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 "The man who is always running down his uppers," mused the janitor philosopher, "generally has run down heels."—Puck-Me-Up.

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 And yet (the truth it was sad).
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An Early Impression.
 "Maggie, wash the side windows this morning!"
 "Why this morning, ma'am?"
 "I want the new neighbors to see our dining room set."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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prise to any horse. First he slips on one foot and then on another, then all his feet get started off in different directions, like a boy with his first pair of roller skates.

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NOTES AND COMMENT
ON THE LEGISLATURE

The bill increasing the number of supreme court judges from four to five was killed in the House on Monday afternoon.

The state auditor has commenced work on the estimates for the appropriation for the various departments for the next two years.

The original state license board bill was killed in the House yesterday afternoon. This was the one calling for three commissioners to appoint the licensees direct without any town commissioners.

Saw mills and business are to receive more consideration from the House than fish, for the bill allowing the fish and game commissioner to prevent mills discharging their sawdust into streams when the same killed the fish was killed.

Speaker Cheney sprung one on the great adjourner, Mr. Lewis of Norwich yesterday afternoon. When the desk was cleared and the committee announcements had been made Speaker Cheney anticipated the actions of the gentleman from Norwich by about 30 seconds by saying "The gentleman House do now adjourn." It did amid laughter.

H. 332, which drew forth such a grand array of lobby lawyers during the earlier part of the session, was killed in the House yesterday afternoon. It was a bill by Mr. Deyette of Benson and provided that no alien telephone company should be interested in the capital stock or management of a telephone company incorporated under the laws of this state except upon permission of the general assembly.

One bill of interest to fishermen, H. 301, was advanced to a third reading yesterday afternoon. It provides that a person shall take but six pounds of brook trout in a day and twenty-five pounds of lake trout or longer. The fine is set at \$10 for each offense and five dollars for each additional pound taken in violation of the section. Another bill of interest that has passed is that allowing pickerel fishing through the ice.

House bill 431 came to the House under an unfavorable report from the general committee. This is the bill providing for the weekly payment of wages which was so strenuously opposed by the lumber interests at a public hearing, on the ground that it would be practically impossible to comply with the requirements and would result in great injury to the lumber companies in keeping a drifting lot of men on their jobs.

The educational committee was split on one bill, H. 494, which came to the House on Monday afternoon with a majority and minority report. Upon request of Mr. Miller of Bethel, the author of the bill, the House voted on amendments to which those opposed to the measure were in favor, provided the bill passed, and then the bill was ordered to lie. This is the bill providing for increased instruction in hygiene and temperance in the public schools. In its amended form it provides that text books shall be furnished in graded form, and that at least four lessons a week for at least ten weeks a year shall be maintained in all the grades after the first three up to the high school. The bill in one section reads, "students, etc., shall be thoroughly taught and shall study the subject of physiology and hygiene with special reference to the effect of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics on the human body." No school moneys shall be paid a town if the school registers do not show that the law has been complied with. One of the amendments adopted kills the section that says that the text books used shall devote at least a fifth of their space to the nature and effects of alcohol.

RESTRICTS LICENSE.

Changes in Second Class Sales of Liquor as Proposed.

The full text of the bill which restricts the liquor license of the second class, as passed by the House with amendments yesterday, is as follows:

Section 1. No licensee of the second or seventh class shall knowingly sell intoxicating liquor for the use of a person other than the purchaser or some member of the purchaser's family.

Section 2. No licensee of the second or seventh class shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, intoxicating liquor to a purchaser at a place other than the premises described in the license, except at the residence of such persons residing in the town or city where such licensed places are located.

Section 3. No person shall, as agent or carrier for a person other than a member of his own family, purchase, carry, furnish or deliver any intoxicating liquor at or from a licensed place of the second or seventh class.

Section 4. Section 5205 of the public statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 5205. A person, who for himself or agent, takes or solicits orders for the sale of intoxicating liquors, or who violates any provision of this act for which a penalty is not otherwise provided, shall be imprisoned not more than six months nor less than three months, or fined not more than one hundred dollars, nor less than one hundred dollars, except that a licensee or his clerk may receive orders in person at licensee's regular place of business.

Section 5. Section 5206 of the public statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 5206. A person, who by himself, clerk or agent, brings into the state or conveys or transports over or along a railroad or public highway intoxicating liquor, which he knows or has reason to know is to be unlawfully kept, sold or furnished, shall be imprisoned not more than six months, nor less than three months, or fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than one hundred dollars, and his penalty shall apply to any person, express company or transportation agency, which shall deliver goods from a licensed place of the second or seventh class, unless such goods have been purchased according to the provision of the preceding section.

ON "BLOOD MONEY"

And Its Connection With the Liquor Traffic.

Editor Barre Daily Times—Dear Sir: In a recent issue of your paper you asked the question, where are the consciences of yesterday? Where have vanished

those scruples against blood money? Where, indeed? And we wonder as we write this, how many of our senators and representatives follow the old custom of their forefathers and put a saloon in their cellar in the form of a barrel or two of apple juice. I wish some wise man would tell me why a licensed saloon is worse than the kitchen and cellar saloon.

Mr. D is a farmer; he starts to—well, we will say Barre or Montpelier—he meets Mr. A. They talk a few moments and Mr. D is invited to the cellar to see my apples or potatoes, not to see the barrel. Oh, no! But before he leaves he drinks one or two glasses and so on down the line. If he does not stop going down, he stops going home, and nine times out of ten when he reaches home he is even worse than a brute. I have often wondered why some good men did not see fit to make a law broad enough to cover the whole ground.

Oh, well, someone says, as long as men have the appetite for it they will find a way to get it. Mothers must educate their boys to let it alone. Poor mother, what a poor chance she has. The father drinks it and John thinks father is all right, so he will take a little, too, and so it goes from one to another, with no chance for better laws. No chance? Yes, just one, let the mothers help to make the laws of our country.

I hear someone say, oh, you must stay at home. Yes, stay at home and let the husband and son go and vote with the nine times out of ten when he reaches home he is even worse than a brute. I have often wondered why some good men did not see fit to make a law broad enough to cover the whole ground.

A Berlin Woman.

TAXATION TYRANNY.

And a Call to Let the People Take Action on the Matter.

Editor, Times: We submit that "the constitution of Vermont is the sheet anchor of our liberty."

We submit that "the people at large are the true proprietors of governmental power; they are the supreme constituent power, and of course, their immediate representatives are the supreme delegate power; as soon as the delegate power gets too far out of the hands of the constituent power, a tyranny is in some degree established."

We submit a tax tyranny is established in Vermont.

We submit that if the constitution of Vermont had been offered to the people for ratification and adoption, and had contained sections therein allowing large capitalists of a certain class to pay only a small specified tax rate yearly; and, at the same time, other sections which definitely stated that the mortgaged homemaker should pay taxes not only upon what he owns in his home property, but also what he owes for it, the constitution would not have been adopted to this day.

We submit that our legislation is largely influenced, if not dominated, by men in whom the financial instinct is abnormally developed, aided and abetted from an intangible source.

We submit that all legislation on the tax question that permits any corporation to do business in Vermont by paying a less rate of taxes than the average rate throughout the state, is not in accordance with the constitution, and is a detriment to the entire agricultural interests in Vermont.

We submit that whatever tax laws may be passed by the legislature of 1908 for the equalization of taxes may be referred to the voters of Vermont, subject to their decision; whether it shall become a law of Vermont or otherwise.

We submit that the people can be trusted to handle this question equitably.

O. H. Sprague,
J. H. Sprague.

The Brattleboro health officers now consider the smallpox epidemic as practically an end so far as new cases are concerned, although, possibly there were exposures from the last patient. Only five patients remain at the isolation hospital, and by the end of the week practically every patient will be out of quarantine.

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NORTHFIELD

The funeral of Mrs. Kerr was held Sunday afternoon, the Rev. E. W. Sharpe officiating, and interment was made in the cemetery at the Center village. Mrs. Kerr died Friday following a long illness with tuberculosis.

The Rev. R. F. Cheever of Woodstock will conduct services in the Universalist church next Sunday forenoon. Professor Woodbury of Norwich university preached there last Sunday.

The Hon. Frank Plimley addressed the Norwich university Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening in Dewey hall.

Mrs. J. Kent Morris is seriously ill with typhoid fever at the home of her father, William Russell. Mrs. Morris, accompanied by her husband, left their home in Albany a few days since to visit here. While en route she was taken ill. A consultation of physicians was held Sunday.

The annual firemen's concert and ball will take place in the armory Friday evening. Whittier's orchestra of Montpelier will furnish music.

The committees having in charge the annual fair for the benefit of the North field Cornet band announced the fair this year will be held in the early part of February.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

Miss M. J. Drury is recovering from her recent severe illness.

Mrs. A. E. Whitcomb is spending a few days with Miss Drury.

F. A. Hayden of Montpelier is here on business with the merchants.

Thomas Waldo is very ill at his home with pneumonia. A trained nurse is in attendance.

Frank Downs took possession Saturday of the J. S. Hopkins store which he has purchased. He will retain as clerk Gertrude Martin and Erskine Rowell. Mrs. Downs will assist in the management of the store.

On and after Tuesday, December 15 Mrs. Kendrick and Rowell will offer special bargains in millinery. They will close out the stock they have on hand at very low prices in order to make room for new spring goods.

NORTH RANDOLPH.

Election of Grange Officers Held Last Friday Evening.

Last Friday evening the grange elected the following officers for the ensuing year: master, George Deering; overseer, Dix Camp; secretary, Mrs. Carrie Parker; lecturer, Mrs. Dix Camp; treasurer, Will Russell; chaplain, Charles Morse; steward, C. E. Taft; assistant steward, Andrew Fitts; Ceres, Mrs. George Deering; Flora, Mrs. W. J. Carpenter; Pomona, Mrs. Charles Farr; gate-keeper, Allie Smith; lady assistant steward, Miss Lena Wheatley. The officers will be installed Friday evening, January 8. The grange voted to hold a New Year's dance.

Head Cheese!

This is a new cold meat for supper, luncheon or sandwiches. We began to sell it Friday and customers came for more Saturday.

They are still coming today and bring others with them. Give us a trial order and be convinced that this is a dainty meat to eat and the price is just 15c pound.

SMITH & CUMINGS'

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CHRISTMAS GOODS
AT OUR STORE.

For the past six years the house of Vaughan's has been the Christmas shopping center of this locality. Already our store is commencing to show signs of lively buying activity of Christmas shoppers. In a few more days the rush will be on in earnest and will continue until closing time on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Handkerchiefs, plain or fancy, or with initials, 5c, 10c, 12 1/2c each.

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Ladies' Fancy Neckwear—Style goes with the price at Vaughan's—put up in Christmas boxes at 25c, 50c up.

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Christmas Belts—Don't miss seeing them, one in box, at 25c, 50c up to \$2.00 each.

Christmas Combs—Very pretty back Combs, also in sets of 3, put up in box, latest fashion, 50c, \$1.00 up.

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